

Laurie published his first paper in 1922 while a student at Cornell and has contributed to radiation safety over a span of 80 years, publishing over 150 papers, and has written or contributed to over 16 books.

Laurie served as Chairman of the National Committee on Radiation Protection (NCRP), the organization he helped establish and led for nearly 50 years and the organization now Chartered by the U.S. Congress as the National Council of Radiation Protection and Measurements.

In addition, his accomplishments include serving as: President of the Health Physics Society, Chairman of the International Commission on Radiation Units and Measurements, President of the International Conference on Medical Physics, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, and Special Assistant to the President of the National Academy of Sciences.

A few of the many awards bestowed upon Laurie include: The Presidential Bronze Star and the Medal of Freedom from the United States Air Force, The Gold Medal from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, and The Janeway Medal from the American Radium Society.

It is with pleasure that I note that Dr. Taylor's decades of contributions to improving radiation safety throughout the World have been documented by the Health Physics Society in an edition of their international journal Health Physics, and their Newsletter.

Laurie is, indeed, a person for all seasons: teacher, mentor, scholar, leader and visionary.

I deeply appreciate all that Laurie Taylor has contributed to this Nation and the world. I invite my colleagues to join in wishing him a very happy 100th birthday.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JACQUELINE BEAN

● Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, today I recognize a very special woman from the State of Montana who has recently retired from the Burns Telecommunications Center. Jacqueline Bean has made a tremendous difference at the Burns Telecommunications Center during her tenure. Her level of influence in the telecommunications industry and Montana has been instrumental in promoting, maintaining and establishing a base to expand upon the Center and extend its longevity. I cannot tell you how many times Jacqueline stressed the need to ensure the center's long-term impact.

Jacqueline's commitment and loyalty to the Burns Telecommunications Center and to the goals I established have helped lead to the success of the Center. Jacqueline never lost sight of the vision I had in mind, to promote opportunities in education, healthcare, and business especially in rural States like Montana, to work for increased individual opportunity through telecommunications and support Montana telecommunications projects, involv-

ing cutting edge technology for education based distance learning programs, telemedicine initiatives, and e-commerce across secure computer networks in the global economy. Jacqueline put forth a whole-hearted effort to increase these opportunities for students, teachers, administrators, individuals, and employees across Montana by advancing the Burns Telecommunications Center and its mission.

Jacqueline has always gone above and beyond the call of duty. She is not only a woman I admire and respect, she is a close, personal friend and I want to extend my personal thanks for all of her support and effort on behalf of the Burns Telecommunications Center. I truly appreciate Jacqueline's loyalty, dedication and commitment and all that she has accomplished on behalf of the Burns Telecommunications Center. We bid farewell, but not good-bye, to a woman that has brought so much integrity to the Burns Telecommunications Center.●

#### HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS

● Mr. KYL. Mr. President, I note with pleasure that the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team was honored in April by the Arizona chapter of the National Conference for Community and Justice.

The world-renowned Harlem Globetrotters, who have made their home in Phoenix since 1995, have given joy to basketball fans in America and around the world for three quarters of a century. In over 20,000 games of basketball, played in some 115 countries, the team's stellar showmen and athletes have been ambassadors for their country and their sport. Especially impressive is the tenacity of owner and former player Mannie Jackson, who took a franchise on the wane and revived it. He and his athletes have given something of value to Arizonans, Americans, and basketball lovers everywhere.

Arizona is proud to be the home of the 21st century Globetrotters, recipients of a richly deserved humanitarian award.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:56 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 1372) to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

The message also announced that the House insists upon its amendment to the bill (S. 1214) to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, to establish a program to ensure greater security for United States seaports, and for other purposes, and ask a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. COBLE, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. OBERSTAR, and Ms. BROWN of Florida.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 112 and 115 of the Senate bill, and section 108 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. THOMAS, Mr. CRANE, and Mr. RANGEL.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 117. Concurrent resolution to correct technical errors in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3448.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 36. Concurrent resolution urging increased Federal funding for juvenile (type 1) diabetes research.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2941. An act to facilitate the provision of assistance by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the cleanup and economic redevelopment of brownfields.

H.R. 4073. An act to amend the Microenterprise for Self-Reliance Act of 2000 and the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to increase assistance for the poorest people in developing countries under microenterprise assistance programs under those Acts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4466. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the National Transportation Safety Board for fiscal years 2003, 2004, and 2005, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4800. An act to repeal the sunset of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the expansion of the adoption credit and adoption assistance programs.

H.R. 4823. An act to repeal the sunset of Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 with respect to the exclusion from Federal income tax for restitution received by victims of the Nazi Regime.